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BEBJ: SECURITY AT USIS AMERICAN CENTERS IN JAPAN

1. USIS AND RSO HAVE REVIEWED SECURITY PROCEDURES IN EFFECT AT AMERICAN CENTERS IN JAPAN. RECENT EVENTS IN KUALA LUMPUR AND RADICAL ACTIVITY IN JAPAN INDICATES THAT PRUDENCE DICTATES A SOMEWHAT MORE STRINGENT SECURITY PROGRAM FOR THE AMERICAN CENTERS

2. AREAS HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED WHICH REQUIRE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION AND WASHINGTON SUPPORT. FIRST, IT IS PROPOSED THAT A GUARD BE ASSIGNED TO EACH AMERICAN CENTER TO STRENGTHEN ACCESS AND PACKAGE PROCEDURES BY CHECKING HAND CARRIED PARCELS, MAKING PATROLS OF THE CENTER, ET. COST YEN 205,956 PER MONTH OR DOLLARS 691.13 (EXCHANGE RATE \$1.00-YEN 298). YEARLY COST DOLLARS 8,294 PER CENTER. FOUR OF THE SIX CENTERS INVOLVED, BRINGING TOTAL 33,176. OTHER TWO CENTERS ALREADY HAVE GUARDS.

3. SECONDLY, SINCE ALL CENTERS HAVE A PROGRAM WHEREBY BORROWED BOOKS CAN BE RETURNED BY MAIL PLUS LARGE VOLUME OF OTHER MAIL, EACH CENTER SHOULD HAVE AVAILABLE OSZILOV 2 METAL DETECTOR TO ASSIST WITH REOUTINE PACKAGE INSPECTION. RSO WILL PROVIDE INSTRUCTIONS ON USE AND LIMITATIONS OF THIS EQUIPMENT. REQUEST PROCUREMENT OF SIX OSZILOV 2 METAL DETECTORS AND SHIPMENT TO RSO/TOKYO ASAP.
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